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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 13, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1 and 2, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

An amendment to the Title of the Invention is presented on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

It is believed that no fees are required for entry of this submission; however, should any fees be required, or, should an extension of time be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any needed fees to Account No. 04-0100, and Applicants hereby petition for any needed extension of time.